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AMENDMENT A

The following amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 1, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1 through 5 and insert therefore the following new claims 6, 7 and 8:

material having an overall mass and a center of mass, said ornament having contoured walls which form a convex exterior surface and a concave interior surface, said interior surface having a surface area of from about 3 in.² to about 25 in.², both of which surfaces are suitable for displaying a printed message, while said interior surface is capable of adhering to a substrate when compressed against it; said contoured walls also forming a core at the center of mass of the ornament, said center of mass core occupying at least 40% of the total surface area of the ornament and containing at least 50% of the overall mass of the ornament.